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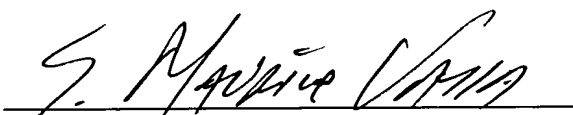
REMARKS

After entry of the foregoing amendments, claims 13, 14 and 26 to 36 remain pending in this application. Applicants acknowledge and thank the Examiner for the indication in the Office Action dated May 18, 2006 that these claims are allowable.

The Office Action dated May 18, 2006 contained rejections of claims 1, 12, and 16. Applicants respectfully disagree with these rejections. However, in the interest of advancing prosecution of this application, claims 1, 12 and 16 have been cancelled herein, without prejudice to pursuit of same in a continuing application. Accordingly, the rejections are rendered moot.

There being no additional pending rejections, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is now in condition for allowance. A notice of allowance of all of pending claims 13, 14 and 26 to 36 is respectfully requested.

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